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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, June 16, 1958, marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of William D. Boyce, the Father of American Scouting; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyce became interested in Scouting when an English boy guided him thru fog to his destination in London, England, and refused to accept pay for his "Good Turn"; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyce was so impressed by this act, and by the Scouting program he found behind it that returning to America he chartered the Boy Scouts of America, February 8, 1910; and,

WHEREAS, Five years later he chartered the Lone Scouts of America for boys in rural areas and isolated communities and for nine years personally maintained it and its organ, LONE SCOUT during which time over 500,00 boys entered Lone Scouting, many of them later giving adult leadership to the Scouting program; and,

WHEREAS, this Father of American Scouting was a great man, whose contribution to the material, cultural, and spiritual progress of Amerca through Scouting, is beyond measure,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOE FOSS, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim this week of June 15-21, 1958, as

"WILLIAM D. BOYCE WEEK"

in South Dakota, and urge all our citizens to join in the proper observance of this time, in honor of a great American.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed. Done this 12 day of June 1958.

ATTEST:

Clara Hall

Secretary of State

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Joe Foss

Governor

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